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The CT scan has landed

Haliburton Highlands Health Services president and CEO Veronica Nelson said June 17 was a momentous day for the organization, as the new CT scanner arrived at the Haliburton hospital. The machine was made in Germany and transported to Haliburton from Mississauga by Lange Transportation and Storage. Nelson confirmed the machine will be installed as soon as construction of the new CT area is complete, expected later this month. Appointments will start being scheduled soon, with Gail Kennedy, integrated director of diagnostics at Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay - who is assisting with CT start-up at HHHS - saying it will run around 20 pre-booked outpatient procedures during the day and be available for emergencies in the evening and overnight. Melanie Klodt Wong said the HHHS Foundation is now 78 per cent of the way towards its \$4.3 million fundraising goal, to support the introduction of CT and mammography services at HHHS. That's after community residents, Scott and Chere Campbell, this week committed up to \$1 million towards the project - \$500,000 as an initial pledge, and matching community donations up to another \$500,000.

Veronica Nelson, Hannah Brown, and Gail Kennedy smile while looking through a piece of the CT scanner that arrived at the Haliburton hospital this week. *Photo by Mike Baker*.



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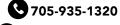
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Twelve Mile Beach is just one being tested by the health unit in the County. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

HKPR resumes beach testing

By Mike Baker

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge district health unit (HKPR) launched its annual beach monitoring program this week.

Each year, the health unit provides regular E. coli test results for 56 public beaches during the summer. The program will run June 17 to Aug. 30 this year. Results are updated every Friday and are available online, at hkpr.on.ca/beachcheck, and on the health unit's social media channels.

HKPR has adopted a three-colour system to report beach results. Green means low-risk, where a beach is open and considered safe for swimming; yellow is moderate-risk, which serves as a warning that high bacteria counts may be present and swimming is not advised; and red is high-risk, which indicates a beach is closed due to elevated levels of bacteria.

Bernie Mayer, HKPR health protection manager, said people should always check to make sure a beach is safe before visiting.

"Our 2022 resident survey showed that 69 per cent of respondents did not review the beach water test results before entering the water," Mayer said. "Enjoy your summer, but please also prioritize your health by staying informed."

As of press time, the health unit has not provided updates for any on the 19 public beaches in Haliburton County. They include the Dorset Parkette and Elvin Johnson Park in Algonquin Highlands; Eagle Lake Beach, Haliburton Lake Beach, Pine Lake Beach, Rotary Head Lake Beach, Sandy Cove Beach, Sandy Point Beach, and Slipper Beach in Dysart et al; Glamour Lake Beach, Gooderham Lake Beach, Paudash Lake Beach, and Wilbermere Lake Beach in Highlands East; and Bissett Beach, Forsters Beach, Horseshoe Beach, Rotary Park Lagoon, Rotary Park Main, and Twelve Mile Lake Beach in Minden Hills.

Swimming in water contaminated with E. coli can result

in sickness, with symptoms usually beginning three or four days after exposure. The most common signs are diarrhea, which may range from mild and watery to severe and bloody, stomach cramping, pain or tenderness, and nausea and vomiting.

Exposure to E. coli can lead to kidney failure in young children and older adults, according to the Mayo Clinic. HKPR encourages residents to contact a doctor and seek treatment if symptoms are severe, or last longer than a week.

Stay cool

With temperatures soaring, the health unit issued an extended heat warning alert for Haliburton County this week.

Environment Canada reported temperatures reaching 31 degrees Celsius June 17, with the warm weather continuing for much of the week.

HKPR issued a media release Monday, stating it issues heat warnings when daytime temperatures are expected to be 31 degrees Celsius or higher, with a minimum overnight low of 20 degrees Celsius or higher, for two consecutive days. A heat warning can also be issued when the humidex is forecast to be 40 or higher for two straight days.

The health unit is warning people to be aware of heat-related illnesses, such as dehydration, heat cramps, heat exhaustion, and heat stroke. Symptoms can include tiredness and weakness, dizziness and fainting, rash, nausea and vomiting, rapid breathing, headaches, extreme thirst, and decreased urination.

"To help reduce the risk of heat-related illnesses... ensure you drink lots of water, even if you don't feel thirsty, and try to spend time in an air-conditioned home or public building, such as a shopping mall, library, or community centre," HKPR spokesperson Ashley Beaulac said. Minden Hills set up a cooling centre at S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena.

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Ontario Health Coalition hears County concerns

By Mike Baker

County resident Bernie Davis said she and hundreds of other Highlanders are still struggling to come to terms with the closure of the Minden emergency department.

She was one of 10 registered speakers as the Ontario Health Coalition (OHC) brought its travelling roadshow to the Haliburton Legion June 14. The group wrapped up a tour of rural Ontario this week, having visited 14 communities that have been impacted by ER closures and cuts to other health services since early 2023.

Natalie Mehra, OHC executive director, said the hearings were an opportunity for people to provide feedback on local issues. She noted there have been more than 1,200 temporary closures of emergency departments and other hospital services in Ontario over the past 18 months – including the permanent closure of the Minden ER on June 1, 2023

"We're producing a report that tells the story of what people say is happening in their communities across Ontario... and have concrete recommendations to maintain and safeguard the services we have," Mehra said. "Ontario funds hospitals at the lowest rate in Canada... we've had the most radical hospital downsizing than anywhere – we need to turn the discussion around and find ways to restore or improve lost or failing health services."

Davis said the Minden ER shuttering last summer was akin to losing a family member.

"I had my two children in Minden, received mammogram and cardiac services there. People knew they could count on the Minden ER," Davis said.

She was unhappy with how the HHHS board justified the decision, and criticized them, local MPP Laurie Scott, and Ontario health minister Sylvia Jones for referring to the closure as a consolidation or amalgamation. "Using those words would be like Mr. Putin saying he is amalgamating with Ukraine," Davis added.

Taking issue with HHHS' process to become a board member, Davis said it felt like a "closed shop" of people who don't have the community's best interest at heart.

"I lived through HHHS being developed – names like Jean Anthon, Hugh Nichols, Jack Brezina. They're all still here and are trusted by the community. Everything now is about



County resident Bernie Davis was one of the speakers to highlight concerns with healthcare delivery. Photo by Mike Baker.

mistrust," Davis said. "Currently, it seems our board decides who is eligible to run for a seat."

Lauren Ernst, HHHS' communications lead, said the board has a nominating committee that is responsible for recruitment. It receives applications and makes recommendations, which are considered by the full board. Anyone selected to serve is then presented at the AGM, where paid members of the organization can vote.

She said typically four directors turn over each year. Members may serve a maximum of three, three-year terms.

Ernst said there are two community representatives on each board committee, noting that's usually a good starting point for anyone wishing to serve on the board.

Highlands East resident Valerie Hunnius said she hasn't been impacted by the Minden ER closure but said she's "deeply disturbed" by it. She believes Haliburton County needs more access to healthcare services, not less. She called on the province to increase

subsidization of training for doctors choosing to work in primary care in rural areas, enhance the OHIP fee schedule – with bonuses for doctors practising rurally, and provide more financial support to bolster family health teams in small communities.

Kinmount resident Alan Howard suggested one fix could be as simple as the province streamlining its processes around physician recruitment

A volunteer with the Kinmount District Health Services Foundation, Howard said a new rule designed to improve access to health services is having the opposite effect in rural communities.

"If you're a doctor and want to be part of a family health team, you must work within five kilometres of another member of that team. Out here, there are some people who drive five kilometres to get to their mailbox. That distance does not make sense for communities like ours, and is stopping us from filling positions," Howard said.

The Kinmount group had a doctor waiting

in the wings, but the Ministry of Health turned down the application due to the rule.

"Right now, if the Haliburton Highlands family health team wanted to expand services to Dorset or any other small community, they can't," Howard said. "It's an inane rule that does not make sense in rural areas."

Howard also criticized the way the province manages the northern rural recruitment and retention initiative. While Kinmount is included in the catchment area, the province turned down a different application recently because the physician wanted to work part-time for the Kinmount & District Health Centre and part-time in the ER at the Haliburton hospital. To qualify for the money, doctors must work full-time in one district only, Howard said.

"So Kinmount is eligible, Haliburton is eligible – but we're not allowed to share the same doctor," Howard said.

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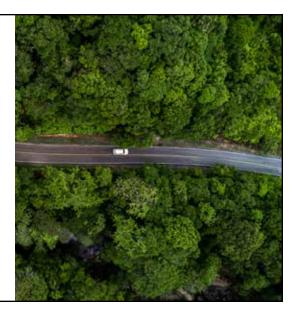
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HIGHLANDS EAST NEWS

McColls bridge replacement in 2025

Highlands East council, at its June meeting, approved entering into an agreement with Keystone Bridge Management Corp. to work with the municipality to complete the proposed work on McColls bridge in the spring of 2025.

Public works operations manager Perry Kelly said they did a joint RFP with the County of Haliburton, since both have bridge replacement projects. He said they received three bids, with both agreeing on Keystone.

"Keystone Bridge Management Corp., based out of Kingston, had the highest overall score. They were also the most economical and provided for the least amount of closure time while the old bridge structure is removed and a new structure set in place," Kelly said. Closure time would be less than two days.

He added Keystone is proposing to install a pre-engineered and pre-assembled modular panel truss bridge. Keystone has recent experience with other major projects utilizing a similar approach.

The municipality budgeted \$1,167,575 during the 2024 budget deliberations towards this project. Keystone is proposing to complete the project for under \$500,000, although the figure may be dependent upon abutment considerations.

Attendant shelters

Attendants at Eels Lake, Bicroft, Monmouth and Mumford road waste disposal sites will soon have new attendant shelters.

Kelly asked council to reallocate funds in the 2024 departmental budget for the

"The public works department has sourced modified, steel shipping containers that would be installed," Kelly said.

He added they have vinyl flooring, 2x4 stud walls with blown insulation, power



Coun. Ruth Strong at a recent Highlands East council meeting. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

outlets, lighting, partition walls for a sanitary washroom facility, and can be heated and cooled.

He noted Hydro would be possible for the Hwy. 28 location but at the other facilities it is more than would be feasible so staff have been reviewing alternative options, such as solar. The appropriate MTO permitting would also be required for the Hwy. 28 landfill site.

Kelly said there are numerous benefits, including supplying staff with a safe environment. They're expected to last 50 years. They can be moved. They could be sold for more money than a wood structure. They could have compost toilets so the township no longer has to rent portable washrooms. Kelly also thinks they will deter vandalism and theft as they are harder to

He put the cost at just over \$93,000.

Surface treatment

Council awarded the 2024 surface treatment projects to Miller Paving for just over \$397,000 plus taxes.

They did a joint tender with the County, Algonquin Highlands and Minden Hills.

Kelly said, "Miller Paving will be working with the municipality to single surface treat Clement Lake Road along with pulverizing and double surface treatment of two kilometres of Irondale Road, from Hwy. 503 to the bridge."

He added once Irondale Road is pulverized, staff will be brushing, ditching where necessary, applying gravel, and doing final grade in preparation for double surface treatment.

Work is to be completed by the end of summer 2024. (Highlands East news compiled by Lisa Gervais).

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The Final tax bill will be payable in two installments: July 19th and September 20th, 2024. The bills are calculated using your property's MPAC assessed value and the appropriate tax rate. The tax rates are available on our website at www.mindenhills.ca.

Payments received after May 31st may not be reflected on your tax bill. Please note that any overdue ounts shown on your tax bill do not include penalty/interest for July. Please contact our office for a curren balance.

New landfill cards are included with the final tax bill. These will take effect on July 1, 2024. It is imperative that property owners ensure they have these new cards when visiting the landfill.

Property owners are responsible to provide to the Municipal Office written notification of any address change As per the Ontario Municipal Act, 2001, failure to receive your tax bill does not exempt penalty charges from being applied to a tax account.

NATIONAL POLLINATOR WEEK (JUNE 17-23)

- We are celebrating National Pollinator Week. There are several ways you can help pollinators. Support pollinators right in your backyard by creating habitat such as a native pollinator garden.
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MINDEN HILLS CULTURAL CENTRE

• The Agnes Jamieson Gallery is pleased to welcome back artist Michèle Karch-Ackerman with her new exhibit Flower Orphanage. The exhibit is on display until August 17. The Gallery is open Tuesday to Saturday from 10 am – 4 pm. Visit the online calendar for more info: https://calendar.mindenhills.ca/default/Detail/2024-06-15-1000-Flower-Orphanage-An-Exhibit-by-Michele-Karch-Acker

- \bullet The Minden Hills Museum, Heritage Village and Nature's Place are now open for the season Tuesday to Saturday from 10 am 4 pm. Join us for daily tours and drop-in programs including Wildlife Crafts, June 20 from 3-4 pm; Toddler Discovery Zone, June 21 from 11 am – 12 pm; and Hands-On Saturday from 11 am – 12 pm.
- Join the Minden Hills Cultural Centre and Haliburton County Public Library to recognize National Indigenous Peoples Day for a special screening of The Road Forward (2017) at the Cultural Centre on Thursday, June 20 at 5:00 PM. Admission is free, and all ages are welcome. For more info: https://calendar.mindenhills.ca/ default/Detail/2024-06-20-1700-The-Road-Forward-Documentary-Screening

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Council and Closed Session meetings are currently being conducted with a hybrid model of in-person (Council Chambers) and electronic participation in accordance with the Municipal Act. Meetings begin at 9:00 AM unless otherwise noted. The scheduled upcoming meetings are:

- June 27 Regular Council Meeting
- July 25 Regular Council Meeting

Members of the Public are invited to observe Council proceedings by attending in-person or via the live-stream link on the Township CivicWeb Portal at

https://mindenhills.civicweb.net/Portal/MeetingTypeList.aspx. Visit our website for more information

SEPTIC RE-INSPECTION PROGRAM

For the remainder of 2024, the septic re-inspection program will be paused as staff review the program. Additional information on future septic re-inspections will be provided to Council and residents this

sidents are encouraged to continue with the usual maintenance of their septic systems. Inspections for new and replacement septic systems will continue to be conducted.

WATCH FOR WORKERS

Construction season is here. Keeping a work site safe includes everyone. Slow down and watch for workers when approaching road work sites.





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LIBRARY NEWS

Library trims nearly **\$120,000 from budget**

The public will no longer have access to print magazines at the Haliburton County Public Library (HCPL) as the board moved to trim more than \$118,000 in spending in 2024 so they don't have to dip even further into reserves after County councillors asked them to tighten their belts for the fiscal year.

While it was pointed out cardholders could access digital magazines, other cuts that could directly impact users include staffing changes that will see one less full-time employee, making one position part-time rather than fulltime, and the two highest-paid staff members going to a biweekly compressed work week.

Library CAO Andrea Brown tabled a preliminary library staffing model review at the board's June 12 meeting.

"As a responsible and accountable public service, the (HCPL) must continuously review our approaches and work practices to ensure that we're offering the best possible collections, programs, and services, with the staff time and financial resources we have available," she said.

During the 2024 County of Haliburton budget approval process, the HCPL board tasked Brown with undertaking the review, with a goal of seeking significant budgetary efficiencies in staff wages for the current and upcoming fiscal year.

In the 2024 final approved budget, the allocation for HCPL staff wages and benefits was \$1,190,485. Of that, wages account for \$842,402 and the remainder covers employee sick and vacation time, statutory holidays, employee benefits, and employee recognition

Brown noted that in mid-summer 2024, they will be opening a single-staffed branch in Dorset for 14 hours a week.

Her review called for eliminating the administrative support coordinator role, a job currently vacant after the incumbent left for a position with Algonquin Highlands. That eliminates \$75,000 from the budget. However, it adds \$7,000 as the tasks associated with the role will have to be divided amongst other staff.

The programming and outreach coordinator role is going from full-time with benefits to part-time without. It slashes another \$22,000.

A decision to reduce the number of biweekly hours for the two highest-paid staff via a

biweekly compressed work schedule will trim another \$27,000. The total savings are \$118,300.

Brown originally proposed \$127,100 in cuts but board chair, David O'Brien, suggested with the County seeking \$115,000 in efficiencies, the slashing should not be as deep. As a result, the board did not agree to reducing the overall number of programming hours (which would have saved \$3,600). They also did not accept reducing the courier run frequency from twice per week to once per week, which would have saved \$3,700. They were also against cancelling free professional development day movies to save \$1,500.

Long-time employee retires

On May 31, Sherrill Sherwood retired from her 28-plus year career with the HCPL.

Brown said, "Sherrill has been a mentor to many past and present HCPL staff members. As our collections development coordinator, Sherrill has done a remarkable job in selecting and maintaining our library's collections. We thank her for her commitment to providing exceptional customer service and for cultivating a fabulous library collection that our community can be tremendously proud of. We'll miss Sherrill very much and wish her all the best in her next chapter."

Dorset branch update

Brown said she and deputy CAO Hillary Montgomery met with Sylvia Myers (from Schoolhouse Products Inc), and Brian Mulholland and Chris Card from Algonquin Highlands, at the Dorset Recreation Centre, May 24.

"We reviewed the library's proposed layout, decided on the colour scheme, confirmed measurements, and discussed details regarding the furnishings," she said.

Brown said one hiccup is they need a new book drop that will cost approximately

They are also awaiting furnishings. She did not know if they would be in place for the July 27 re-opening of the Dorset Recreation Centre, where the library is located.

The board also selected branch hours, with Wednesdays 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Fridays 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. established for now. (Library news compiled by Lisa Gervais).



Library CAO Andrea Brown found efficiencies in the services' budget. Photo by Lisa Gervais.



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AH looking for feedback on signage

Bv Mike Baker

Algonquin Highlands has launched a new online survey asking residents for their thoughts on a potential new sign bylaw.

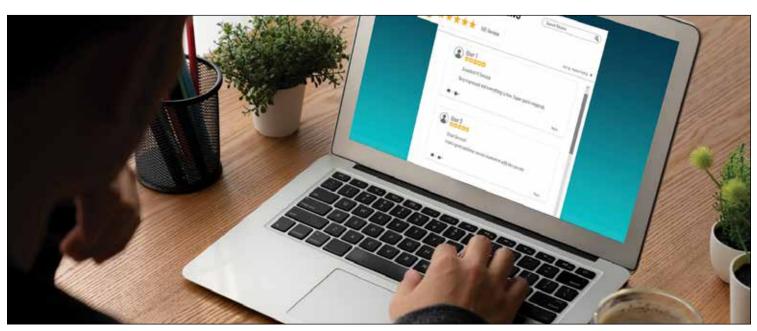
Council has considered creating legislation regulating signage on municipally-owned property, including road allowances and other public spaces, within the township. The survey is available through the municipality's 'Let's Connect' portal at lets connectal gonquinhigh lands. ca.

Mayor Liz Danielsen raised the issue in November 2023, saying she had received numerous complaints about the increasing number of temporary signs being placed throughout the community. She said Algonquin Highlands was one of the few municipalities in Ontario without a sign bylaw.

Chad Ingram, the township's communications coordinator, said council is looking for feedback from the community whether they feel a bylaw is necessary and what they'd like to see included.

There are 10 multiple choice questions for people to answer – do they believe there is a problem with signage; would they like to see more regulation; and whether a \$150 fine for offenders is considered reasonable.

Other questions focus on the type of



Algonquin Highlands residents can have their say on a potential sign bylaw. File.

signage and whether they should be allowed – commercial signs in front of an associated business, for garage and yard sales, promoting real estate open houses, or community events such as festivals and exhibitions, and materials from charitable organizations.

There's also space for people to provide written thoughts. Ingram said the survey will be available until July 31.

Any bylaw would not apply to signage located on provincial highways, County of Haliburton property, or private roads, Ingram

He noted the township's first course of action through any bylaw would be to educate people about the new rules – further enforcement and fines would only come into effect, "after discussions with residents have proven unproductive."

Doors open

Around 150 people attended the grand reopening of the Wilberforce Service Centre June 1. Owners Todd and Lindsay Watling hosted a community BBQ and offered complimentary sweet treats, including slushies, to children. The store is now open seven days a week, Monday to Saturday from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. (Mike Baker).

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Jamie Schmale, right, congratulated the Watling family, and staff, for the recent reopening of the Wilberforce Service Centre. Submitted.



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Minden debates cemetery care

By Lisa Gervais

A recommendation to hire a contractor to cut the grass at cemeteries in the township proved contentious at a Minden Hills council meeting June 13.

Director of community services, Candace McGuigan, put forth the hiring of The Lawn Squad at a cost of \$45,000 plus HST, bringing the total to more than \$50,000 for the season.

McGuigan said staff felt it was the only option after reaching out to other townships for shared services and finding that wasn't an

"The township requires an immediate solution for the remainder of the 2024 cemetery lawn care and maintenance season," McGuigan said, with an intention to re-tender for 2025.

She said the work is needed at 12 Mile, Minden Hills, Bethel, Gelert and Milburn cemeteries. She estimated total lawn cutting of 47.5 hours every other week from June 24 until Nov. 30, as well as fall clean up. She added they received three quotes, with The Lawn Squad charging \$75-80-an-hour.

The decision would have come in over budget by more than \$28,000, with the director recommending it come from surplus or reserves.

This did not sit well with Coun. Ivan Ingram.

"I have some real concerns with the numbers I'm getting here. It's time to hire our own staff and have them look after the cemeteries." He said they did so for 30 years "and it worked fine, not a problem, not a complaint." He added one person could work the cemeteries for eight months and then go to the roads department for the other four months to do snow removal.

"It's just too much money as far as I'm concerned when we can hire a full-time person to do it and use them in other places."

CAO Cynthia Fletcher said staff were prepared to look at the option, "but the challenge we have right now is we have an immediate need. The community services department isn't resourced with the equipment or the staff to take on an immediate need so that was why we were recommending an external service to get us



The Minden Hills cemetery on June 17. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

through 2024." She said they would come back with a report in the fall about the township doing the work. However, to recruit and get equipment would take time, "given the importance of the service," she said.

Ingram replied they had a current staff person who used to do cemetery maintenance. Coun. Tammy McKelvey added she thought there was a mower at the sewage treatment plant.

Fletcher said council can move staff around, but it takes them away from other work, such as parks and trails.

Deputy mayor Lisa Schell said she wasn't impressed by the numbers either, "but that's what's before us." She agreed that next year they should look at the possibility of bringing the service in-house.

She said they have had issues for several

years about how the cemeteries look and, it is a very sensitive subject with the public." She was prepared to accept the staff recommendation for this year, but not to tender for next year, and look to bring it in-house.

McKelvey said any contract could end in October, not November. She said she could not support taking \$45,000 out of reserves for operations. "Reserves are never supposed to be used to cut grass." She added if contracting out, she needs more administrative details. She said other issues include monuments, and graves collapsing, and a full-time person could help with these issues. Ingram wanted to defer a decision until the June 27 meeting and the majority of council concurred. Fletcher said staff will continue to maintain cemeteries until then.

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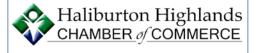
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Mixed bag with healthcare

care in Haliburton County.

A new, German-made CT scanner arrived at the hospital after being driven to the County from Mississauga by a transportation and storage company.

The machine will be installed as soon as construction of the new CT area is finished, which is expected by the end of the month.

Appointments will soon be scheduled, and it is anticipated there will be around 20 prebooked outpatient procedures during the day, with availability for emergencies in the evening and overnight.

Thanks to the generousity of Scott and Chere Campbell – who have committed up to \$1 million for the project (\$500,000 as an initial pledge and matching community donations up to another \$500,000) the HHHS Foundation is more than three-quarters of the way there. And let's not forget that County taxpayers have already donated \$1 million and the Cockwell family another half-million. The goal is \$4.3 million. We challenge the community to match the Campbells.

We can only imagine how excited EMS

June 17 was indeed an historic day for health chief Tim Waite is about all of this. It will mean one of his ambulances won't be taking patients out-of-town for routine, and emergency, CT scans. One hundred locals a week won't have to drive the hour-plus to outlying hospitals to get the diagnostic imaging done.

Meanwhile, Kawartha North Family Health Team has announced it now has a virtual care nurse practitioner staffing the clinic at the former Minden ER in addition to its regular nurse practitioner on select days.

This past Monday, however, the clinic only had virtual care available. Regular service resumed on Tuesday.

While things such as suspected urinary tract infection, pink eye, yeast infections, sinus congestion, tick bites, prescription renewals, certain ear pains, and a long list of other things can be attended to virtually, there is an equally long list that cannot. People should check the KNFHT website for what can be done, versus what cannot, before going to the urgent care clinic in Minden, since the virtual nurse will likely just send them to Haliburton hospital anyway for certain injuries and ailments.

It will be interesting to see how staffing at the clinic goes over its second very busy summer in the Highlands.

At the end of the day, while we

that is a concern.

are pleased the County is finally getting a diagnostic tool every other County in Ontario already has – it does not negate the fact that an emergency room was closed in our community last June. And if the urgent care clinic struggles with staffing this summer and has to use more virtual than in-person care,

So, by all means celebrate the arrival of a CT scanner – and hopefully mammography CT soon - but never forget that one of two ERs has closed in the Highlands and we have an urgent care clinic that does come with its own set of challenges. The fact it is now open seven days a week for the summer, though, is most welcome.



By Lisa Gervais

EXPLORE

Here's to a wonderful summer

It's been a busy couple of months in the Haliburton Highlands and summer is just over the horizon.

I'm happy to report the last swarm of blackflies has left the County (or so I hope) and it looks like the next few weeks will bring us warmth and sunshine.

I wanted to take an opportunity to check in and provide some updates on things happening around Haliburton County. As we head full steam into summer, there is no shortage of events and activities, and you can find out more about them by visiting mvhaliburtonhighlands.com and clicking on the calendar of events. If you have something to add, please reach out to us so we can add it. Never hesitate to drop us an email at info@haliburtonhighlands.com or give us a call at 1-800-461-7677.

The Teeny Tiny Summit held in Minden on June 6, in partnership with OMAFRA (Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs) and ROMA (Rural Ontario Municipal Association) was a success. More than 100 people gathered to discuss economic development in teeny tiny places and hear keynote speaker Peter Kenyon provide real life examples of big ideas

coming from small places. If you missed it but want to find out more, all of the day's presentations and Peter's presentation (including a video link) can be found by visiting: myhaliburtonhighlands.com/doingbusiness/teeny-tiny-summit-minden.

Other speakers at the event included Places 4 People, the Haliburton County Home Builders' Association, Haliburton County Development Corporation, Point in Time and Haliburton County Community Safety and Well-being coordinator Sue Tiffin. Each highlighted an array of forward-looking initiatives happening in our own community. Thank you to everyone who participated and made the summit a success.

As we look ahead to the summer, in a matter of days the County will be brimming with seasonal residents and visitors enjoying the many activities, events and adventure experiences we have on offer. If you are hoping to balance your summer fun with some work, be sure to check out The Link.

If you haven't yet heard about The Link, you can learn all about Haliburton County's new co-working space by visiting: thelinkhaliburton.ca. This space is very useful and accessible for visitors staying

somewhere with limited internet service, needing a calm space to work (away from vacationing family/ friends) or would prefer a separate, professional environment to



By Angelica Ingram

their vacation spot. Located just outside Haliburton village in the front of the Patient News Building, The Link has lightningspeed internet, modern décor and a variety of desks/private offices plus a kitchenette and conference room. Open seven days a week, 7 a.m.-9 p.m. daily. Easily booked online at thelinkhaliburton.ca or call 705-457-3555 for assistance/information.

Last but not least, plans are taking shape to celebrate the County's 150th anniversary this summer and fall. Keep your eyes peeled for a community photo booth, some 150 swag, historical displays and more. You can find out more by visiting myhaliburtonhighlands.

As always, we are open to hearing from you and I wish you a wonderful summer.



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PHOTOS OF THE WEEK





Left: James Fowell send this photo of a swallowtail butterfly. Right: Gerry Wigg captured this shot of slipper orchids, also known as lady's slippers, while out on a hike recently.

HUMANS OF HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS

Her happy little rock on Tory Hill

By Susan Tromanhauser

Zombies are everywhere, even in Haliburton County. But no need to pack your survival kit just yet, Dr. Anne Jackson knows how to best react.

A recent transplant to the County, Jackson raises eyebrows when she mentions she earned a PhD studying zombies. In actuality, her doctorate is in Critical Disability Studies but her thesis makes a correlation between society's perception and negative bias between zombies and people with disabilities.

Jackson explains, "it is human nature to avoid people different from themselves," we react to zombies like many react to those with disabilities - look away and ignore, or even run away."

Instead, Jackson encourages us to offer support, not to intrude, and to understand people with disabilities are adaptable and quite capable, able to thrive in our community in their

Caring about others has permeated throughout Jackson's life. Born to a deaf father and with a hard of

hearing sister, Jackson grew up in the world of disability. She is quick to note her father and sister both earned PhDs.

One might think Jackson has always been in the world of academia but actually Jackson's journey to post-secondary education waited until she was almost 30, a single mother in need of financial independence.

Jackson became a student at Sheridan College and emerged into the workforce as an IT systems analyst. She later completed a Master's Degree in inclusive design. Along the way, she has been an advocate, ensuring people of all abilities could access technology.

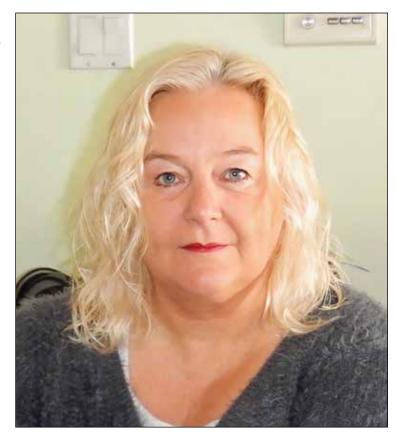
In her spare time, she became a PADI (Professional Association of Diving Instructors) certified dive master, diving with people with disabilities.

Coming out the other side of COVID, the urge to leave the uncertainty of living in a rental property in Toronto coincided with an inheritance from her father. An extensive search ended when she fell in love with "her happy little rock on Tory Hill." Jackson and her husband now live comfortably in "an unusual log cabin on 25 acres with a stream.' She spends her time doing art, woodworking and chopping wood.

Jackson is thrilled with how easily she was accepted into the Haliburton County community. At the age of 68 she knew she had to keep moving, so she joined Sweat Social, and does kickboxing at K.O. Martial Arts. She found "both ventures were so friendly – a welcoming community."

She realizes there is lot of poverty and mental health concerns in Haliburton County and continues to care for those with disabilities. Jackson is now part of the Haliburton County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee. Jackson is proud her influence has inspired a zombie walk as part of Midnight Madness in August.

Don't worry about zombies on the loose, they will have a chance to participate in a dance-off to show their unique abilities. Jackson knows it is by accepting zombies that we create a diverse and thriving community.



Dr. Anne Jackson is a COVID transplant to Haliburton County. Photo by Susan Tromanhauser

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Left: The group of volunteers from Haliburton County that picked out and collectively got rid of one million Chinese mystery snails from County waters. Right: Brook Schryer, of the Ontario Invading Species Awareness Program, holds up a Chinese mystery snail at the celebration of the one millionth invasive snail being removed. *Photos by Lillie Qiu*.

Community combats a common goal

By Lillie Qiu

It wasn't the Chinook salmon, or invasive carp, that got Haliburton County volunteers riled up about contamination in its water bodies, but an invasive snail species called the Chinese mystery snail.

The one millionth invasive snail was removed from a cottage in Minden Hills June 15.

Invasive snails damage fish populations, are harmful because of what they eat in lakes, and outcompete native species.

Paul MacInnes, the chair of The Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners' Associations

(CHA), said, "the growth rate is exponential. If you don't keep them under control with a program like this, pretty soon you won't be able to swim in your lakes, because they'll just be so thick that the dead ones will surround you."

The snails are originally from Asia, and have worked their way into County lakes by people not washing and drying their boats properly before they move them from one lake to another.

The celebration marked a significant environmental milestone, and volunteers and members of the Ontario Invading Species Awareness Program were present at South Lake for it. MacInnes and Brook Schryer, the assistant coordinator with the Ontario Invading Species Awareness Program, said community involvement was paramount to getting the one millionth snail removed. It represents a collective effort in removal and preservation of the lake ecosystem.

Volunteers properly collect and identify the invasive mystery snails, document and report their location, and properly dispose of the snails while following decontamination protocols.

The Ministry of Natural Resources partnered with the CHA to give them the license in order to get rid of the snails,

while the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH) collaborated with the CHA to come up with a plan to remove them.

Schryer said it's not just about the removal and management of the snails, it's also about the education component and building community.

"We can put in hundreds of hours of work, and the goal here is not going to be eradication... In this circumstance, it wasn't about eradication, it was creating a sense of community to combat a common goal, and also giving these people the agency to remove these things."

Bringing new life to West Guilford landfill

By Mike Baker

One of the County's most unique communities is set to expand at the West Guilford landfill.

Attendants Bill Waind and Craig Rose say they plan to continue a tradition started by a former colleague, Mason Gordon, where they will spare special items residents have thrown out from wasting away at the landfill. Instead, they will be given a new lease on life and featured in rolling displays – helping to greet people when they arrive at the dump.

It all started in September 2018, when a resident wanted to dispose of a large teddy bear they had won at the Canadian National Exhibition (CNE) in Toronto.

"I was actually working that day — someone came in with this huge monkey, they said it was too big and they didn't want it taking up space at their house, so they were getting rid of it," Waind said. "I thought we could do something with it, save it from going to waste. I kept it to one side for Mason, who was the main attendant."

Gordon constructed a home for the monkey beside the attendant's shed, naming the stuffed toy Wes Guilford. Since then, the monkey has served as the landfill's official mascot.

Since becoming a full-time attendant in the fall, Waind has spent time adding to Wes' surroundings. There's a mannequin Waind saved a month ago, which he dresses up in different outfits using clothes that have been disposed of. There's a bench and mini table and chair set surrounding a campfire, with a tent standing behind. Plastic flowers adorn the set.

"I wanted to brighten the place up a bit, doing my best to make it look like something more than a dump," Waind said. "I'm here 44 hours a week – it's fun seeing what I can come up with. I like putting smiles on people's faces, and people definitely smile when they come through and see what we have.

"Mason started all of this, I just want to continue, maybe turn it into a fun tradition," he added.

John Watson, the township's

environmental manager, said the display has been well received by the community. He credited Gordon, Waind, and Rose for the work they've done.

"It's great to see them have such pride in the site. I love to see the landfill attendants rise to the occasion and repurpose different things in unique ways and just make the site more inviting to the public," Watson said.

This week is waste and recycling workers appreciation week in Ontario. Watson said Dysart has 12 landfill attendants working across five sites during the summer.

"These guys in West Guilford set a great example – our mantra is to reuse and recycle as much as possible, and they're embracing that every day." Watson added.

embracing that every day," Watson added. Waind promised there will be a Canada Day-themed display debuting soon, while he has plans to spruce up other areas of the landfill. He's already replanted flowers disposed of by Country Rose in wooden barrels that he's placed along the path to the tipping face. There will also be decorations around the new area for light



Bill Waind and Craig Rose are having fun with rolling displays at the West Guilford landfill. *Photo by Mike Baker*.

bulb and fixture drop-off.

"Someone's trash is somebody else's treasure and I think we're showing that in the best way we can," Waind said.

People can keep up with Wes' movements and new displays at instagram.com/wes. guilford.

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Luna, the Haliburton Forest Wolf Centre's female alpha, died June 9 aged 13. Photo courtesy of Stephanie Brown.

Howling at the loss of Luna the wolf

By Mike Baker

It's the end of an era at the Haliburton Forest Wolf Centre after its alpha female, Luna, passed away June 9.

Tributes have poured in from the community paying respects to Luna, who lived at the sanctuary for 13 years. Marena Wigmore, wolf centre coordinator, said Luna wasn't only the longest living member of the existing pack, she was the oldest wolf the centre has housed in its 28 years in operation.

She was born in the wolf enclosure at Haliburton Forest in May 2011, to parents Granite and Haida. She survived her litter with two brothers – Logan and Lonestar.

The community may recall those names as they were the four wolves who escaped, and eventually died, after someone cut holes in the enclosure's fencing on New Year's Eve in 2012. It was an especially tragic event, Wigmore said, given it left the pack without a male.

"Luna stepped up and led her four sisters through that difficult time. She basically took over as the leader of the pack, the one the other wolves looked to for figuring out what was next," Wigmore said.

She maintained that role for more than 11 years – impressive given a wolf's life expectancy is five or six years, Wigmore

Needing to introduce a new male to the pack, Fang joined in August 2013. Wigmore said it was almost love at first sight for Luna.

"She was the first one to approach Fang. They quickly figured things out and it wasn't too long before mating season rolled around and they did the job they needed to do,' Wigmore said. "Luna was the strip of light in the dark. She brought hope back after such a horrible thing happened. That first litter of puppies she had was such a bright spot for everybody."

Four pups arrived in that initial batch in 2014, though only one survived. Wigmore said through her life, Luna had eight litters of puppies totalling 32 offspring. Her last litter came in 2022, when Luna was 11.

Fang died last fall, and after losing Luna,

the pack is down to five wolves – all Luna's

Wigmore said there was no major decline of note – Luna was still interacting with the other wolves and showing signs of life right up to her death. It was a quiet Sunday morning when staff realized the rest of the pack had returned from a feed without Luna.

"We realized then her age had finally caught up with her," Wigmore said.

It's going to take time for the pack to recover, Wigmore noted.

"They're trying to figure out who to look to now, who do they trust," she said. "The oldest remaining member is Quest, who is eight. After her, the next oldest wolf is four. so we anticipate she'll be the guiding light post-Luna, but it won't happen overnight," she said.

"For all of them, Luna has always been a part of their life. So, it's going to be a major shift. We may not know the extent of that shift until we go through a full cycle, a full year. Mating season is always a good indicator of what's going on in the pack, and that comes in late February," Wigmore added.

There hasn't been a new litter since 2022 – none of the wolves stepped up to take Fang's place after he died, so this will be a major transition for the pack. Wigmore said the alphas will come internally – trying to add a new wolf when there are others who can fill those roles will likely cause problems.

Work is underway on a small sculpture that will commemorate Luna. Wigmore said it will be exhibited at the wolf centre once it's complete.

Having recently celebrated her 10th anniversary working at the wolf centre, Wigmore said she had developed a close bond with Luna. So too, did the community.

"Luna was always good at surprising us. When we thought we knew what she was going to do, or what was next for her, she always found a way to keep us guessing. She was an amazing example of a wolf - it'll be a long time before another Luna comes along, if ever," Wigmore said.



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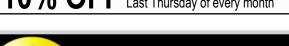
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Tennis takes over OSGA 55-plus games

On June 11, the Ontario Senior Games Association District 11 (Huntsville to Bancroft) featured its tennis event. Thirtythree athletes played 32 matches to determine the winners of 55-64 years and 65-plus categories for men, women and mixed doubles. Lou Fenninger won bronze with Peter Looije. Marianne Fenninger won gold in both the 55-plus mixed with partner Looije and 65-plus women with Julie Tieman as her partner. The group shot is of the medal winner women doubles, left to right, Gerda Neubacher and Ilsemarie Tarte, bronze, Fenninger and Tieman, gold, and Robin Binsted and Jackie Conrathe, silver. (Lisa Gervais with submitted photos).



It's all in the hips

The Blairhampton Golf Club hosted an Ontario Senior Games Association Tournament June 5. Eight groups of seniors played 18-holes. The OSGA is for Ontarians aged 55 and older who want to participate in competition in the sport or activity of their choice. Participants laughed and cheered each other on while they tried to complete the course. Other events included tennis, euchre, cribbage, shuffleboard, and pickleball.

A golfer at the Ontario Senior Games Tournament chips towards the hole. (Lillie Qiu).





Abi Lewis and Aiden Perrott with their athletes of the year trophies. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

Bringing home the hardware at HHSS

By Lillie Qiu

Aiden Perrott and Abi Lewis were named male and female athletes of the year at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School's athletics celebration June 12.

The 44th annual ceremony took place in the high school's theatre.

An emotional Lewis said, "I'm very proud of myself. I think there are many, many girls that definitely deserve the same award. I'm really honoured to be the athlete of the year and I'm so honoured that others also think that."

Perrott said on winning the award, "it definitely means a lot. I've put in a lot of hard work to get here and being recognized for it means a lot. I also want to say thanks to all my coaches. They've helped me along the way.'

There were also awards for most valuable players, and leadership, presented during the ceremony. Coach Erin Smith of the varsity girls' soccer team said of her team, they can 'match up against anyone". Similarly, coach Nichole Fielder of the varsity rugby mens' team said that others, "would never have known that they had a rookie team".

Coach Janice Scheffee, the head athletics teacher at the school, recognized the history of the event as well as the honouring of the athletes at the high school. "I arrived here as a staff member many years ago and I've simply tried to carry on the legacy that was set before me... and supporting and promoting the fact that we have a great athletic program here at HHSS," she said.



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Students turn courtyard into outdoor classroom

By Mike Baker

A new outdoor classroom has been unveiled at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School this week.

Students from the Grade 10 leadership and outdoor education classes have spent months transitioning the school's courtyard into a dedicated space for outside learning. They held a grand opening June 17.

Christine Carr, who teaches the leadership class, said she brainstormed with students early in the new year to come up with a project that would make a difference in the school community. She said the courtyard had been neglected and unused for several years and the students saw an opportunity to give it a new life.

Aurora Wesley, Jordanna Jennings, Hazel Jones, Freyja Neimann-Rowe, and Rosie Lafleur launched a committee to engage with other students to see what they wanted in the new space.

"They've been working basically since the snow melted, cleaning it up and turning it into something that can be utilized by students throughout the school day," Carr said, noting the classroom can host up to 30 students and be booked by teachers.

Wesley said there are three primary components to the space – a learning circle complete with tree stumps for classes to gather, a garden overflowing with perennials and other colourful flowers, and three picnic tables where students can complete classwork.

Jones said the quintet wanted to establish an outdoor classroom after spending time outside during their Grade 9 English class last year.

"Our teacher, Mr. Collins, had us read *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and we got to do it out in the forest. We all had so much fun and being outside helped us to think more clearly and be more engaged," Jones said. "It made us think 'what if we have a space to be able to do this more, and for other classes to be able to do it too'."

The project cost the students nothing but time – the picnic tables were donated by Emmerson Lumber and Haliburton Timbermart, decorative stones by Algonquin Highlands township, wood chips by Boshkung Lake Tree Service, and other materials from Hawk River Construction. Abbey Gardens helped students analyze soil conditions and select plants for the garden.

Principal Jenn Mills said she was blown away by the courtyard's transformation, noting it had been largely unused since the 1990s.

"Everyone I talk to says things like 'when I went to school, fixing up the courtyard is what I wanted to do too', and it's the same with me when I was a student here. We've all wanted to see that space being used," Mills said. "With the vision of these ladies and help of teachers in the classroom, it's all come together into an amazing space that we're really excited about."

A second phase of the project will be completed later this year, Mills said. A



HHHS students Hazel Jones, Freyja Neimann-Rowe, Aurora Wesley, and Jordanna Jennings unveil the school's new outdoor classroom. *Photo by Mike Baker.*

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ramp is being reconstructed to make the courtyard wheelchair accessible. Paved pathways will also be installed, along with a land acknowledgement plaque that will be supplied by HHSS' tech class.

Wesley said the students hope to work with

school staff to come up with a fitting name. "We're flip-flopping between a lot of names right now. We want to come up with something iconic, that best represents the space," Wesley said.

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The 100 Women Who Care Haliburton County group presented a cheque to 4Cs for \$9,100 on June 18, proceeds from their June 12 meeting. Pictured are, left to right, Dawn Brohman and Judy MacDuff of 4Cs, and Margaret Cox, Leslie Banner and Tina Palmer from 100 Women. (*Lisa Gervais*).

Masons help feed kids

On June 4, the Masons of North Entrance Lodge No. 463 of Haliburton contributed \$1,000 to the Food for Kids program for the J.D. Hodgson, Stuart Baker, Wilberforce and Cardiff elementary schools. Representatives of each school were present to receive their donations to feed kids nutritious meals during school days. Making the presentation on behalf of the Masons were Gary Maughan and Carman Coumbs. (Submitted).





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Minden Rotary celebrates service above self

By Lillie Qiu

The spirit of philanthropy and service above self was front and centre as Minden Rotary hosted its annual dinner gala June 1.

It marked a celebration of local community bettering itself, said president Dave Woodcroft.

"Rotary is kind of like its own family. It's being part of something. The reason I joined is because I wanted to give back to the community," Woodcroft said.

It was a full house at the Minden Community Centre, with special guests including Minden mayor Bob Carter and Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Jamie Schmale. Guests greeted and talked to one another, exchanging stories before dinner began. Minden Rotary's 'celebrity clowns' were in the house, taking photos with people and handing out red noses. Woodcroft said the group was still looking for new members.

The event serves as Minden Rotary's primary fundraiser, with money from tickets, a silent auction, and 50/50 raffle.

Woodcroft said he expects the final tally to be around \$8,000, which will be reinvested into the community.

This year, the group has committed to building a new shelter at the Minden community garden and will continue to fund initiatives for young people.

"We really concentrate on the youth," Woodcroft said, citing the Highland Storm and an annual trip the club organizes giving one youth the opportunity to travel to Ottawa



A celebrity clown posing with the clown photo frame at the Rotary dinner gala and auction. Photo by Lillie Qiu.

with Schmale for a 'capital experience' on Parliament Hill.

Woodcroft said money would also be set aside for various Rotary events and programs throughout the year – including the float for the Canada Day parade, contributions to Fuel for Warmth, the Minden Community Food Centre, and Children's Water Festival.

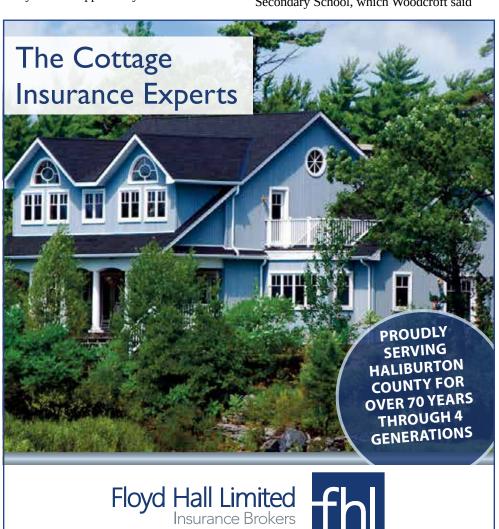
Minden Rotary also assists with Interact club initiatives at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, which Woodcroft said

will be a continued focus. Wanting to expand on its 'capital experience' program, Rotary also hosts an 'adventure in citizenship' course where students learn about what it's like to be a parliamentarian in Ottawa. It concludes with a ceremony in Minden where participants earn their citizenship, Woodcroft

Rotary also provides an annual scholarship to a graduating high school student pursuing post-secondary education.

The club attracts volunteers from all walks of life, Woodcroft said – the common denominator being a commitment to bettering and helping those in need in the community.

"I think the good thing about Rotary is it's exactly what you make it; you can make it big, you can make it small," Woodcroft said, referring to involvement in the club.



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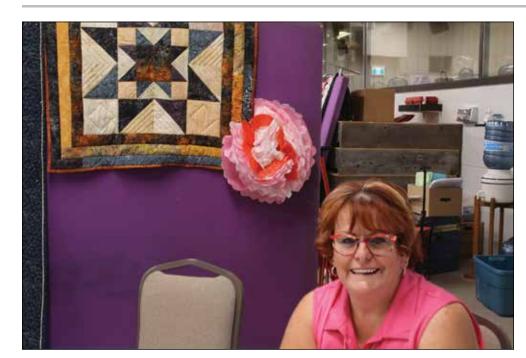


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Quilt-o-clock

The Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild hosted a 'Coming Home' show at the Minden Curling Club June 1. It was the group's 27th annual event. Shirlee Weeks, a member of the quilting guild, said everyone thought it was "amazing" and attendees couldn't believe the talent the guild had within its ranks. She has been a part of the guild for 16 years. She says it's "just another place to belong." Karen Shirley, a guild member for 15 years, said there has been a lot of new additions in recent months, with around 35 new members debuting pieces at the

Shirlee Weeks, a member of the quilting guild, at the quilt show. Photo by Lillie Qiu.



Bowling is back

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton returned to Fast Lane Bowling in Minden May 25 for the organization's annual Bowl for Kids' Sake fundraiser. The event brought in \$600 to support programming in Haliburton County, said executive director Janice Balfour. She noted representatives from the Haliburton Lions Club were major supporters again this year. Balfour said the Big Brothers Big Sisters group is working with three youth and three adult mentors in the County. She noted there are six local youth on a waitlist for a mentor. The average cost to support programming costs for a matched youth and adult is approximately \$1,000 per year, Balfour added. To become a mentor, or to assist with an in-school mentoring program, contact klh.haliburton@ bigbrothersbigsisters.ca or call 705-324-6800. (Mike Baker).

Brigitte Gebauer and Mark Roberts took home the prize for most pledges - a Yeti Rambler half gallon water jug, presented to them by Janice Balfour. Submitted.





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Karley Stevenson does a downward pose while two puppies chase each other behind her. Photo by Lillie Qiu.

Giving downward dog a new meaning

By Lillie Qiu

Puppy yoga isn't just another fad. It's a unique blend of relaxation and cuteness overload, and it took over the Haliburton Legion recently.

The event drew in yoga enthusiasts from around the County, as well as puppies from Snowflake Meadows, a rescue organization based in Minden. The event was by donation.

Amanda Rico, of Harmony Yoga in Haliburton, and the instructor for the class, led the group in downward dog, warrior and cat-cow poses for an hour while puppies chewed on attendees' hair, curled up for some snuggles, and even slept in the laps of some attendees.

Kristyn Elyse, the owner of Snowflake Meadows, said that the money raised, \$475, will be going towards a kennel on the rescue's property so that they can house more dogs.

Bringing puppies into the mix for yoga

sessions offers a whole new level of mental and physical wellbeing. Rico said when you're with animals or in nature, your nervous system down regulates. She also added it's important for the puppies to get exposure to people, other environments, movement and things that are going on around them.

"I've gotten a lot of positive feedback from all of the people that participated. No complaints. Amanda says it was a lot of fun," said Elvse.

Puppies roamed freely around the room as people did various yoga poses. During the relaxation part at the end of the session, people welcomed the puppies to snuggle up beside them while they were in shavasana

Snowflake Meadows has also attended Highland Wood long-term care home in Haliburton twice, and Extendicare Haliburton - enabling seniors to interact with puppies



Debi Andison does a yoga stretch with Spyro from Snowflake Meadows rescue by her side. Photo by Lillie Qiu.

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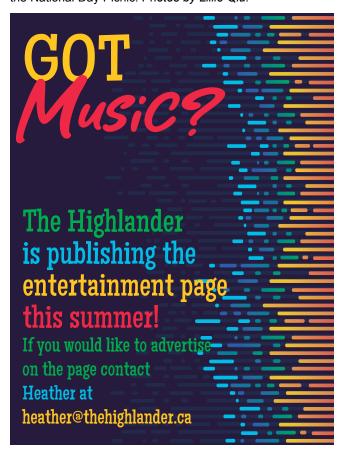


Gwen Morgan, of the Icelandic Canadian Club of Toronto, came dressed in traditional wear to help Kinmount residents celebrate the Icelandic National Day picnic June 15. The picnic celebrated 150 years since the first settlers came to the hamlet in 1874. Morgan said, "the real goal was to mark the sesquicentennial. It's also for a lot of the communities, because so many communities elsewhere in Canada were founded by the people who first came to Gimli [Manitoba]. The event also celebrated Iceland's independence day, which took place June 17. Settlers first arrived in the immigration sheds of Toronto, due to volcanoes destroying their livelihoods as farmers in their homeland, before settling in Kinmount. The Kinmount Heritage Museum put on a special exhibition. The Kinmount Artisans Marketplace also had a range of Icelandic art on display.

Above: Guy Scott, a Kinmount historian, talks about the first Icelandic settlers to Kinmount, with a special exhibition on the Icelandic community behind him. Top right: Gwen Morgan, a member of the Icelandic Canadian Club of Toronto, in her traditional Icelandic wear at the Iceland National Day Picnic. Right: Liz Feyerabend, Darlene Mann and Heidi Lycett stand inside the Kinmount Artisans Marketplace, which had a special display of Icelandic art for the National Day Picnic. Photos by Lillie Qiu.









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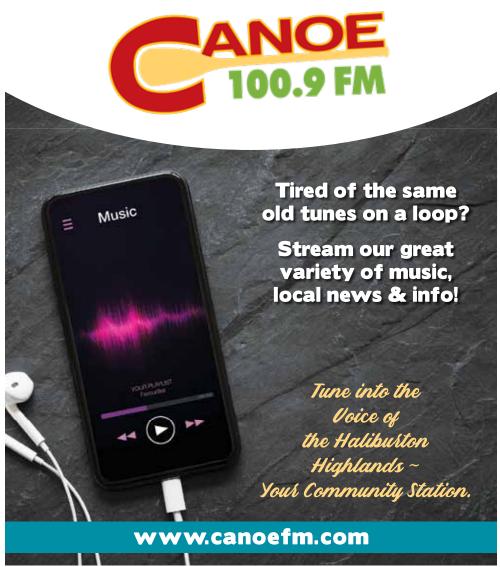
Minutes of June 22, 2023 Annual Meeting Corporate By-law & Professional Staff By-law Refresh **Election of Directors** 2023-24 Audited Financial Statements / Audit Report

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*Invited guests are welcome to observe the Annual Meeting. Please note that per Corporate By-law Article 4.8, voting is limited to Corporate Members in attendance in person. **All attendees in person and virtual are welcome to participate in the Q & A Session.

Please RSVP to hhhsceoboardoffice@hhhs.ca by June 21, 2024, if you will be attending virtually or in person due to limited seating capacity. Zoom link and instructions will be provided two days before the event. The Annual Meeting will be recorded and made available on the HHHS website.

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EVENTS

June 20 to 29

Online auction supporting SIRCH Community Services. Bid on items lovingly fixed, repaired, or refinished by 'The Last Chance' project coordinator, Kevin Dunlop. A selection is on display at the SIRCH Bistro, 49 Maple Ave. For a full list, visit nonprofitbidding.org.

June 22, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The 10th anniversary of the Wilberforce library branch. Get your green thumbs ready as we beautify the Wilberforce branch with a planting workshop at 11 a.m. and a children's planting activity all day.

June 22, 2 p.m.

Museum summer open house at the Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost, 2314 Loop Rd. Visit and see the museum and displays. Refreshments provided. Contact Barb Schofield at 705-448-2598 or wilberforcebarb@yahoo.ca for more information.

June 23, 2 to 7 p.m.

Brooksong Retreat and Cancer Support Centre invites the community to its summer open house, featuring live music by 10-plus local singers, including Jeff Moulton, Albert Saxby, Trina West, Jerelyn Craden, Thom Lambert, Gord Kidd and more. There will be games and face-painting for children. Bring a blanket, lawn chair, and snacks to 1150 Garden Gate Dr.

June 24, 7 p.m. Haliburton Highlands Land Trust annual general meeting via Zoom. All members in good standing 30 days prior to the meeting have voting privileges. Pre-registration required at haliburtonlandtrust.ca.

June 25, 10 a.m.

Join us for a free guided walking tour in the Haliburton Sculpture Forest. Meet at the kiosk in the Haliburton School of Art + Design parking lot. Wear comfortable walking shoes. Tours are held rain or shine and can take up to two hours. Tours are happening every Tuesday in July and August and are free, though donations are

greatly appreciated. For more information, visit haliburtonsculptureforest.ca.

June 25, 2 to 4 p.m.
Visit the Dysart branch of the Haliburton County Public Library for a unique craft for adults. Pulled string flower paintings on book canvases. No registration required. All materials are provided.

June 29, 4 to 6:30 p.m.
Strawberry supper at Highland Grove Community Centre, 5373 Loop Rd. Čold plate - turkey, beef, ham, variety of salads, and strawberry shortcake for dessert. Adults \$15, children five to 10 years \$8. All proceeds to benefit the Highland Grove Historical Society.

July 2, 7 p.m.
The Minden and District Horticultural Society, at the Minden and District Hortcultural Society, the Minden Community Centre, presents guest speaker, Sheila Ziman, about making unique baskets using materials from the garden and nature. This will be followed by the monthly society meeting. The junior members program, for children in Grade 2 and higher, will meet from 6 to 7 p.m. at the cultural centre. This month's meeting will feature a pollinator field study and plant pressing.

July 6, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Dysart et al is hosting its third annual New to You community yard sale in the parking lot of A.J. LaRue Arena. There are 35 spaces for households to sell gently-used items. Preference will be given to households from Dysart. Registration is \$30. Participants are responsible for providing their own tables, chairs, and cash float. Register online at dysartetal.ca/newtoyou.

Have a non-profit event you want advertised? email mike@thehighlander.ca.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS

Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 129 Haliburton weekly activities

Mondays: Bridge at 1 p.m. in the Schofield Rm. **Tuesdays:** League darts 7 p.m.

Wednesdays: Bid euchre 1 p.m. start, main hall. Bingo is back, featuring a brand new machine. There's a \$1,000 jackpot on the first Wednesday of the month.

Thursdays: General meeting third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. & ladies auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.

Fridays: Meat draw, five draws, five prizes each draw, first draw at $4:30\ p.m.$, last draw at 6:30p.m., tickets \$2 per draw. Ed Pickard, MC. Friday fun darts 4:30 p.m. onwards.

Saturdays: 50/50 draw 4 p.m. Tickets \$1 each, available in the Clubroom.

Clubroom hours: Mon 3-6 p.m., Tues 3-9 p.m., Wed/Thurs 3-6 p.m., Fri 3-7 p.m. & Sat 3-6 p.m.

The Legion's mandate is to help veterans, assist with their mental and physical health and social wellbeing, provide a feeling of togetherness and combat isolation. All are welcome to attend our events.

Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 519

Second Monday of the month: General meeting - 7:30 p.m.

Tuesdays: Euchre - 1 p.m. Open Darts - 7 p.m. First Wednesday of the month: Big Buck Bid Euchre from 11 a.m. \$15 per person.

Saturdays: Meat Roll at 3 p.m.

For more information contact Legion 705-454-8127

Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 624 Wilberforce

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Joan Sussan Down

(nee Kinsman)

Passed away peacefully, in her 89th year, at Hyland Crest Long Term Care on Sunday, June 9, 2024.

Beloved wife of Bruce Down for 67 years. Survived also by daughters Susan (Peter Knowlton), Patti (Gord Sharp), Jennifer (Mike Kennedy), daughter-in-law Jill Arbuthnot-Down (predeceased by son Phillip). Special Grandmother to 11 and Great Grandmother to 9.

Celebration of Life was held at Ebenezer United Church, 1669 Courtice Rd, Courtice, on Monday June 17 at 1pm.

If desired, memorial donations can be made to Ebenezer United Church, Hyland Hills United Church Minden or a Charity of your choice.

> Arrangements entrusted to NORTHCUTT ELLIOTT FUNERAL HOME, 53 Division St. Bowmanville, Ontario.

Condolences and donations may be Northcutt Elliott left at www.northcuttelliott.com

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OBITUARIES

In Loving Memory of

Sondra "Sunny" Gail Strath

(Resident of Vero Beach, Florida)

On Saturday, May 18th, Sondra Gail Strath, loving mother of six and beloved

wife of the late Alan Strath, passed away at age 86

Sunny, as she was known, was an avid scrapbooker and talented greeting card maker as her friends and family can attest to. She loved to read, spy and murder mysteries being her favorite genres. She was feisty and determined and taught herself how to do her own online banking and bill pay after her husband passed in 2009. She loved working on Ancestry.com exploring her heritage; wrote her annual Christmas letter keeping friends and family updated on the goings-on of the previous year, and never missed a birthday or anniversary.

She was a wonderful mother and had six children in seven years... a gargantuan feat! She instilled in her children a love of nature and respect for the environment, a strong moral compass, and compassion for others. She loved animals and the house was always full of assorted furry friends, dogs, cats, hamsters, guinea pigs, rabbits, and even an iguana. She worked for the local veterinarian and brought home many stray and abandoned dogs

Sunny was fierce at all of 4'8" and 116 pounds soaking wet and even stared down a knife wielding robber when she worked as a night auditor at a hotel in Milton, ON Canada with a "you've got to be kidding" and then ducking into the office, locking the door and calling the police.

She is survived by her six children, Deborah, Kimberly, Douglas, Leslie, Steven and Scott; her nine grandchildren; her eleven great grandchildren and her two great-great grandchildren; her sister, Bobbi and assorted nieces and nephews.

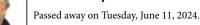
Celebration Of Life

A Celebration of Sunny's Life will be held at THE COMMUNITY ROOM 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Saturday afternoon, July 13, 2024, from 2-4 p.m. A time of sharing will take place at 3 p.m. As an expression of sympathy, donations

Woodland Wildlife Sanctuary would be appreciated by the family.



FUNERAL HOME



Born in Edinburgh, Scotland on June 22, 1943 and was the last surviving member of her family who disembarked from the Aquatania in March 1948 after WWII

Predeceased by her parents Hilda and Kenneth Mackenzie, brothers Ronald and William Mackenzie. Survived by her children Kathryn (James) and Kenneth (Tammy), her grandchildren Andrew, David, Shelby, and Kacey, and her great granddaughters Cloey and Avery. Cousin of Robin Mackenzie Duff of Edinburgh, Scotland, sister-in-law of Carol Mackenzie of Bath (Kingston), nieces Heather, Christine, Debbie and their families in the Kingston area.

Dorothy enjoyed being out-of-doors, taught outdoor survival and canoeing skills through Girl Guides of Canada. She loved being a Realton in Markham and Toronto prior to relocating to Minden in June 1987 when she bought Orange Grove Resort and continued to enjoy meeting and assisting clients with their real estate requirements.

Dorothy's family welcomes you to share your stories and memories at A Celebration of Dorothy's Life being held on Saturday, July 13, 2024 from 1:00 until 4:00 pm at the Orange Grove Resort, 56 Orde St., Minden.

Memorial Donations to the Minden Community Food Centre would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



In Loving Memory of **Shirley Ann Colliss** (nee Balkwill)

Passed away peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Sunday, January 7, 2024 with her loving daughter and granddaughter by her side, in her 87th year.

Beloved wife of the late Roy Colliss (2014) and the late Henry Martens (2022). Loving mother of Kim (Karen) Colliss, Mike Colliss, and Marie Collliss (Rod Titus). Loving grandmother of Lindsey, Kristen (Shane), Jamie (Kelsei), Jared (Jamie), and great grandmother of Kate, Huxley, Wren, Tyke, Emery, Kolby and one unborn great grandson. Predeceased by her brother Ken Balkwill, and by her sisters Autumn Watson and Sheila Clarke. Lovingly remembered by many nieces, nephews, family

The Colliss family would like to thank Shirley's Homecare "Angels": Deniel, Linda, Betty, Cathy, Lori and Scott, and her Hospital "Angels": Meghan, Glenda, Tracey, Brittlyn, Morgan, Peggy, Carol, for all their loving support and care.

A Memorial Service to celebrate Shirley's Life will be held at the Minden Bible Church, 177 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 on Saturday, July 6, 2024 at 12:30pm. Interment at the Minden Cemetery. A Reception to follow at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 636, 12847 Hwy 35, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.

Memorial Donations to the Minden Bible Church would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.





In Loving Memory of Fredrick "Fred" Mawbey

Passed away peacefully on Friday, June 14, 2024 at

Cherished husband of Laura (nee Pockett) for 39 years. Beloved son of the late Jack and Alma Mawbey. Fred is survived by his brother Randy

Mawbey, by his brother-in-law Bill Henning, by his sister-in-law Anne Mawbey. Predeceased by his siblings; Emily (Gord), Don (Besse), Shirley, Norma and Jack Jr. Much loved brother-in-law to Ginny (deceased) & Glenn, Roger & Karen, Lynda, Shelley & Victor and Kim & Shane. Lovingly remembered by Les (the late Mary), Michael & Brianne and by his many nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends.

Fred's love of books would often find him enjoying a Clive Cussler novel at the Haliburton Library.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0, on Thursday June 20, 2024 from 11:00 am until the time of the Funeral Service to celebrate Fred's Life at 12:00 o'clock noon. Reception will be held in the Monk-Cray Family Centre. Interment to follow at the Essonville Cemetery.

Memorial Donations to the Peterborough Humane Society would be appreciated by the family.



EVENT

FUNDRAISER - Royal Canadian Legion Branch 129, Haliburton. Help us to raise funds for a New Digital Piano for Extendicare, Haliburton. Thursday, June 27th 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Tickets \$20.00 with Drew Allen, Michele, Gord Kidd, Brian Sachs. Tickets: Eventbrite. ca or Extendicare 705-457-1722

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LOST – Google Pixel Android cell phone. Somewhere around Haliburton Post Office, Haliburton Dump, Independent Grocers & Haliburton Medical Centre. Please call David at 705-457-2867

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In Loving Memory of my son Joel Nathan Edwards

My son Joel, aged 45, tragically departed from us on Sunday June 2nd, 2024, his unexpected passing leaves a profound void in the hearts of all who knew him. Joel's life was marked by his deep love for music, which resonated in every chord of his being

and touched the lives of many.

Joel leaves behind his cherished legacy as a devoted father to his two girls; Rylie and Marlee, and his two boys Owen and Josiah. His commitment to his children was unwavering, and his love for them knew no bounds. They were the light of his life, and his memory will forever be a guiding

Though his time with us was too brief, Joel's passion for music was infectious. Whether strumming his guitar, tapping his foot to a beat, or simply sharing his favourite tunes with friends and family, he found solace and joy in the melodies that filled his soul.

In the wake of his passing, we are reminded of the importance of reaching out to those we love, of listening with empathy, and of offering our support without reservation. Let us honour Joel's memory by carrying his spirit of kindness, compassion, and love forward in our lives Joel may no longer walk beside us, but his memory will continue to echo in the song, the laughter we share, and the love we hold in our hearts.

Though he has left this world too soon, his legacy will endure, a testament to the beauty and power of life lived with passion and purpose. Rest in peace, my son. You will be dearly missed, but your spirit will live on in the hearts of those who loved you.

PS: And May God Bless, Your Soul, Amen

A Celebration of Joel's life will be held at "AT NANA'S", 2009 North Shore Rd., Algonquin Highlands, Ontario K0M 1S0 on Saturday, June 29, 2024 from 2:00 pm until 4:00 pm.

Any donations to Joel's children would be greatly appreciated.

YARD SALE

YARD SALE/CONTENT SALE - 199 Pine Ave, Haliburton. Saturday, June 29th • 8 a.m. Oil stoves, outboard motors, tools and much more!

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- 7 Popular Hawaiian coffee
- 11 Platters with a hole
- **14** Return to original speed, in
- 15 "Everything's going great"
- **17** The incompetent obstetrician
- 19 TV's Spike, formerly
- **20** Felt pen choices for rainbows
- **21** Yukon's Saint ___ Mountains
- 22 Canadian bubbly bar
- 23 Non-kosher
- 25 The incompetent pilot
- **30** Either syllable sound in YouTube
- 31 West end?
- **32** "... in my bucket, dear ___"
- 35 Z voiced by Woody Allen, for
- **36** Writer of odes
- 40 Adele's first album, in Roman
- 41 Street child
- 43 Pre-plasma screen
- **44** Moped's greener cousin
- **46** The incompetent tailor _
- **50** It comes from the hoarse one's
- 51 Zilch, to Zola
- 52 Fox's "SNL" kin
- **55** Reason to wear a CPAP machine
- **57** Nile slitherer
- **60** The incompetent restaurant
- **63** Provides with new shelter
- **64** Formally cancel
- **65** Pierre and Justin Trudeau: Abbr.
- 66 Left on a ship
- **67** Source of classified information?

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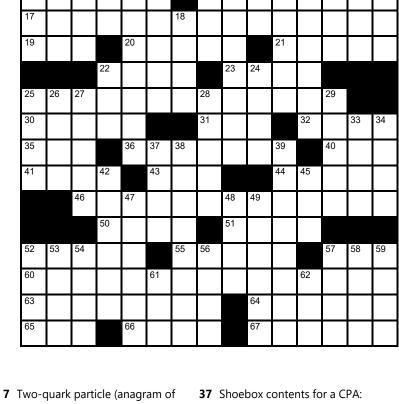
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- **12** It might be guilty or innocent
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- 18 Thomas the Tank Engine sound
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- 24 Quebec premier Lévesque, '76-
- **25** Fido's fingernail
- **26** "Game of Thrones" actress Chaplin
- 28 Mick's band mate
- 33 Virus causing microcephaly
- 34 Told to clean out one's desk

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- 9 N.Y. Mets' div.
- **10** In your dreams

- 16 Intentional

- 27 Up to when
- 29 Elfin dust sprinkler

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 - **39** Prepared leftovers, maybe
 - **42** Couple's table request
 - 45 Eye colour on a D.L.
 - 47 Sock away, as for retirement
 - 48 Cube maker Rubik
 - ___ del Fuego, Argentina
 - **52** Figure on a car sticker
 - **53** Throat-clearing sound
 - 54 Forehead-slapper's cries
 - **56** Financial ___ (Ottawa paper) "... against ___ of troubles"
 - **58** Deer fellow
 - 59 Brazilian soccer great
 - 61 Esteemed mil. honour
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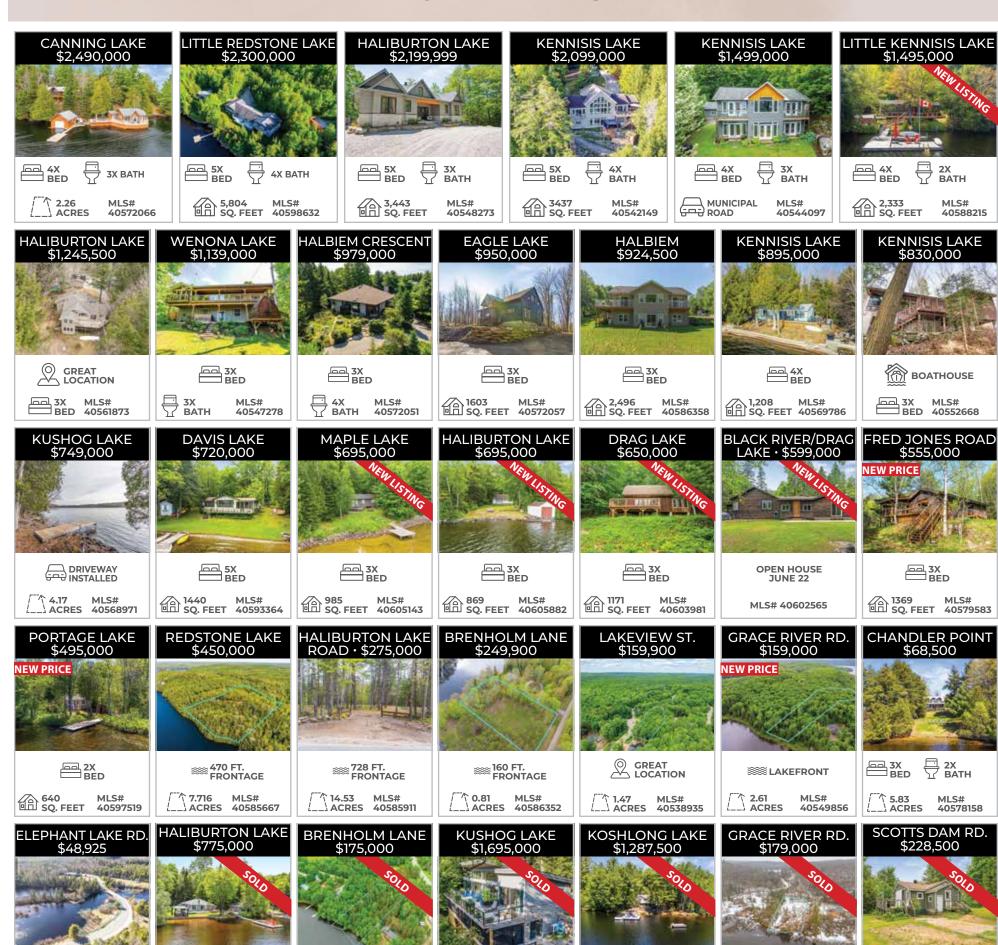






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